

Sunday Morning, July 25, 1869.

What is the Fifteenth Amendment? The New York Day Book says: "The people knew what the 'Fifteenth Amendment' is in fact, its essential nature and the necessities wrapped up in it, they would rise up en masse, march to Washington, arrest its authors and hang them without hesitation—indeed, that would be a mild punishment for a crime against nature and an outrage on 'humanity' so unapproached and unapproachable. But, alas! the people have nothing but their instincts to guide them in this matter, and the ignorant and benighted fools who profess to lead them in the paths of Democracy are not alone equally ignorant with the masses but they are too often debauched and emasculated by the enemies of Democracy; and therefore it is not merely the blind leading the blind, but the corrupt and perverted misleading the virtuous and instinctively patriotic Democracy. Indeed, it, twenty years ago, when Gen. Cass invented popular sovereignty, there had been a secret understanding between him and other Democratic leaders with the chiefs of the Abolition faction to keep the masses in total ignorance of the nature and designs of the latter, in order thus to confuse and bewilder the people, and enable the enemies of Democratic institutions to destroy them on this continent, it may be doubted if the result could have been more fatal than that which we now witness. For twenty years past the tools of European monarchs have been at work to misrepresent American society as it existed in the South, and in all the States, save one, when the Union was formed, and instead of defending and explaining our American system from the lies and perversions of the Abolitionists, the so-called Democratic leaders have tacitly admitted their accursed lies and set up dodges to amuse and bewilder the people. Who does not recollect the elaborate stump speeches and editorials of the Ben. Butlers, Dan. Dickinsons, Logans, Sickles, &c., to demonstrate the 'great principle' of popular sovereignty in the Territories, and now we witness the disgusting spectacle of these men engaged for years in beating down popular sovereignty in the States themselves.

"The writer of this shall never forget a conversation with Jefferson Davis, then Secretary of War, on this subject. He had written and published a pamphlet which demonstrated the normal condition of the negro element in our system, and, having just received a letter from Daniel S. Dickerson, among others, assenting to the great and vital truth that so-called, or rather mis-called, 'slavery,' was the corner-stone of American liberty, he thought of publishing it in a subsequent edition, and went up to the Secretary's office to ask his opinion of its propriety. To his great surprise, Mr. Davis advised against publishing Mr. Dickerson's letter, who, he declared, was 'sound on the slavery question,' simply because he had no principles at all; and he then and there predicted that on the first real test and trial on this question Dickson, and all others like him, would prove rotten and worthless. Mr. Davis further declared that he had infinitely more respect for Preston King, John Van Buren and others, who, ignorant of the subject, showed some conscience, however perverted by the father of lies, than he had for the morally dead, and utterly rotten souls that clamored about their soundness, and spread themselves on popular sovereignty. And so it turned out; Ben. Butler, Cushing, Dickinson, Brady, the very Breckinridge leaders in the North, were the first to give way, and the shameless hounds became as violent and persecuting against the 'Peace Democrats,' who stood by their principles, as in other days they were 'sound' against the Abolitionists.

"But to the inquiry: What is the 'fifteenth amendment?' Why, simply and solely the consummation of the monstrous revolution that, commencing with the election of Abraham Lincoln, in 1860, transforms the white republic of Washington into a mongrel monstrosity, more revolting, rotten, destructive and damnable than even the bogus republics of Mexico and South America. It does not interfere with State rights. The State of New York may do anything it pleases itself to do—it may make money, or 'education' or religion a basis of suffrage, or withhold it altogether from the laboring classes—may set up a hereditary aristocracy, or a king if it chooses; indeed, may adopt the entire European

system, with its artificial distinctions among white men themselves, so long as it is faithful to the fundamental principle of the faction in power, and violating the law of nature, mongrelizes the State. It must not recognize the work of God, or discriminate between white and negro, but beyond this it may do the work of the devil to any extent it pleases. It may make as many discriminations among white men themselves, as in England or Russia; it may prohibit a man from voting because he is a Catholic or Methodist, or because he was born in Ireland or Germany; indeed, the State of New York, in the full plenitude of its State sovereignty, may do as many evil and monstrous things as it chooses, but may not conform to the order of nature or recognize the work of God; and therefore, if the State prohibit miscegenation between white and negro, the fifteenth amendment steps in and nullifies the State action. Is there, in the *tout ensemble* of human impiety, crime and beastliness, any parallel to this? God has made white men alike, with the same nature and the same wants, and He has made negroes so widely different, that, in all this broad land, no negro could impose himself on a child, that had been weaned, for a white man; and when the senses, the instincts and reason have been so debauched as to miscegenate, nature is so outraged that the progeny rots out and utterly perishes from the earth, polluted by a crime so transcendent. And in the face of this, the fifteenth amendment, while permitting the State to discriminate, if it pleases, among those whom God has made alike, forbids any discrimination between white and negro, whom he has made so unlike that they cannot propagate together, and therefore rot out utterly in three or four generations—so that if there were as many negroes as white people in the State of New York, one might estimate with absolute certainty when the entire population must needs become extinct under this 'fifteenth amendment.' But enough! The sin and impiety, beastliness, rottenness and death wrapped up in this fifteenth amendment, so transcends all the sins and crimes of mortals that have hitherto polluted and desecrated the earth, that no words in our language can fitly express it, and the next generation must find terms for a social cataclysm so tremendous."

#### A New Phase of Southern Politics.

A keen and clever correspondent of the *New York World*, draws the following picture of a new class of politicians, existing in the South which, in his opinion, is destined to rule the Southern States. We quote:

"These are mostly young men, and the events of the day are giving them a stern and hard education the country will yet feel. On the abstract rightfulness of secession, on the beauty of State sovereignty and 'what the war was for,' the young men of the South still listen with pleasure to the elders. It is only when coming to the question, 'What is to be done?' that a divergence appears. Here the old school has but little to propose. It can be eloquent on the past; but when brought face to face with the future, permits indignation to obscure its judgment and paralyze its ability. The new school is more practical and more cool.

It never troubles its brain about a reassertion of the secession idea, its interest in any discussion of the subject apparently beginning and ending with a justification of the abstract rightfulness of the doctrine; it would not have the negroes returned into slavery in any condition; it favors immigration; it believes in railways, direct trade and internal improvements; and, above all, it hates the radical party with a concentration of enmity that few in the North, save Wendell Phillips, and occasionally the late Mr. Raymond, seem to have fathomed. Some of the leaders of this new school I might mention; but they are not at present men of any extended reputation outside of their several States, and the ideas they entertain lack that cohesion which would make them of decided importance just now. If there be a good crop this year, it is not unlikely but that some steps will be taken in the fall to unite the sentiment of the South in some articles of a common creed."

The new ten cent currency has appeared. In artistic execution it is said to be a decided improvement on the stamps now in vogue. On the left is a bust of America, with scarf studded with stars, the word "ten" in each corner, in small capital letters—with a corresponding numeral, in large figures on the right hand corner, at the top. The back, as usual, is green—with the same inscription as on the others. The execution of the latter is not so fine as it might be. The other denominations are not yet finished.

The latest sensation of New York is the elopement of Miss Kate Taylor, of Madison Avenue, an acknowledged belle, and heiress of an immense fortune, with Mr. Henry Howland.

#### The State Agricultural and Mechanical Society.

On the second Wednesday in November next, the first annual fair of the renewed society will take place. The readers have been informed that the Executive Committee have made all the necessary provisions, and it remains now for the people of the State, who make up the contributors, to do their part. A small contribution from each person concerned in the movement is all that is necessary. For this year, \$200 from each County will furnish the sum necessary for the premium list. We hope that the whole State will respond to this proposition to have a successful fair. Let it excite general industry, and let November next witness a grand gathering of our farmers and mechanics, bent upon so organizing and working as to develop all the material interests of our State.

Let our fair women come forward with their preserves, and jellies, and butters, and with the beautiful specimens of their handiwork. Let the factories of the State and the foundries show specimens of Southern skill. Let the products of the field and the garden show what our farmers are doing. Let all the departments of art and business make their exhibition. Bring forward your improved stock and your improved agricultural implements. In fine, let it be determined that the fair shall be a success.

As for Columbia, we feel assured that the city and the citizens will do their part. Let our citizens contribute liberally by becoming annual or life members of the society.

Let the necessary grounds and buildings be at once prepared. It is the duty and to the interest of Columbia to move promptly and generously in this enterprise.

Floating capital—the heiresses bathing at Long Branch.

**Pipes! Pipes!!**  
20 DOZ. Assorted Brier Root, with Metal Screws.  
20 Doz. do, with Maerschaum Lining.  
1 Gross Cane Pipes. JOHN C. SEEGERS.

**Administrator's Notice.**  
ALL PERSONS having claims against the estate of Mrs. E. T. HOPKINS, of Richland County, are requested to hand them in, properly attested; and all indebted will make immediate payment to  
JAMES HOPKINS, Administrator,  
May 8-13 Hopkins Turn-Out, S. C. R. R.

In the District Court of the United States, District of South Carolina.

In the matter of James G. Gibbs, Bankrupt. THIS is to notify all lien creditors to establish their liens against the estate of said Bankrupt before C. G. Jaeger, Register, at Newberry C. H., on or before the 23 day of August next, or be barred from the benefit of any decree to be made in the above stated case. By order of the Court.  
June 25-26 WM. J. HOKE, Assignee.

**AYER'S SARSAPARILLA, FOR PURIFYING THE BLOOD.**

THE reputation this excellent medicine enjoys, is derived from its cures, many of which are truly marvellous; in various cases of Scrofulous Disease, where the system seemed saturated with corruption, have been purified and cured by it. Scrofulous affections and disorders which were aggravated by the scrofulous contamination until they were painfully afflicting, have been radically cured in such great numbers in almost every section of the country, that the public scarcely need to be informed of its virtues or uses.

Scrofulous poison is one of the most destructive enemies of our race. Often, this unseen and unfelt tenant of the organism undermines the constitution, and invites the attack of enfeebling or fatal diseases, without exciting a suspicion of its presence. Again, it seems to breed infection throughout the body and then, on some favorable occasion, rapidly develop into one or other of its hideous forms, either on the surface or among the viscera. In the latter, indeed, it is most deadly, and often in the lungs or heart, or tumors formed in the liver, or it shows its presence by eruptions on the skin, or foul ulcerations on some part of the body. Hence the occasional use of a bottle of this SARSAPARILLA is advisable, even when no active symptoms of disease appear. Persons afflicted with the following complaints generally find immediate relief, and at length cure, by the use of this SARSAPARILLA: St. Anthony's Fire, Rose or Erysipelas, Tetor, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Ringworm, Sore Eyes, Sore Ears and other eruptions or visible forms of Scrofulous disease. Also, in the more concealed forms, as Dyspepsia, Dropsy, Heart Disease, Fits, Epilepsy, Neuralgia and the various Ulcerous affections of the muscular and nervous systems.

Syphilis or Venereal and Mercurial Diseases are cured by it, though a long time is required for subduing these obstinate maladies by any medicine. But long continued use of this medicine will cure them. Leucorrhoea or Whites, Gonorrhea, and Female Diseases, are commonly soon relieved and ultimately cured by its purifying and invigorating effect. Minute directions in each case are found in our Almanac, supplied gratis. Rheumatism and Gout, when caused by accumulations of extraneous matters in the blood, yield quickly to it, as also Liver Complaints, Torpidity, Congestion or Inflammation of the Liver and Spleen, when arising, as they often do, from the rancid poisons in the blood. This SARSAPARILLA is a great restorer for the strength and vigor of the system. Those who are Languid and Listless, Despondent, Sleepless and troubled with Nervous Apprehensions or Fears, or any of the affections symptomatic of Weakness, will find immediate relief and convincing evidence of its restorative power upon trial.

PREPARED BY  
Dr. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.,  
Practical and Analytical Chemists.  
April 14-15

#### Wine Bottles.

BOSS Wine Bottles, for sale by  
Feb 14  
E. & G. D. HOPE.

#### THE POLLOCK HOUSE,

91 Main street, Columbia, S. C.

#### Notice.

A SILVER CUP, with the initials "A. B. H." was left in the Charlotte cars, on the 1st of July. Any one returning the Cup to this office will be liberally rewarded.  
July 25-8

#### Hams, &c.

"ORANGE" Brand HAMS, best in market. Pure Leaf Lard. Falton Market Beef, Scaled Herrings. Pickled Salmon, Smoked Tongues, &c. For sale by  
GEO. SYMMERS.

#### Nickerson House Hotel,

COLUMBIA, S. C.

THE undersigned having

RENEWED his lease upon the above POPULAR HOUSE, will endeavor to make it one of the most agreeable Hotels in the South. A call is solicited.

Free Omnibus to and from the Hotel.

WM. A. WRIGHT,

July 9-8mo Proprietor.

#### I. SULZBACHER,

At sign of the Mammoth Watch.

Gregg's Building, Main Street,

COLUMBIA, S. C.

HAS on hand, and is

constantly receiving ad-

ditions to his stock of GOLD and SIL-

VER WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWEL-

RY, Silver and Plated Ware, Specta-

cles, and Fine Cutlery.

He would call particular attention to his

stock of PLATED WARE, useful as well as or-

namental, which is all warranted triple plated,

and sold astonishingly low for cash.

CALL AND EXAMINE.

July 15

#### UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

THE Session of this institution

commences annually on the 1st day

of October, and continues, without

interruption, till the Thursday pre-

ceding the 4th of July ensuing.

The organization of the institu-

tion is very complete, embracing extensive and

thorough courses of instruction in Literature

and Science, and in the professions of Law,

Medicine and Engineering.

The expenses of the Academic or Law Student,

exclusive of the cost of text-books, and

clothing and pocket money, amount to about

\$365 per session of nine months; and of the

Engineering or Medical Student \$395; of which

sums, respectively, \$220 or \$250 is payable on

admission, and the balance in the progress of

the session.

For details send for catalogue.

P. O. "University of Virginia."

S. MAUPIN,

July 24-5\* Chairman of the Faculty.

#### Southern Life Insurance Company,

PURVILLY A SOUTHERN INSTITUTION.

ASSETS - - - - - \$500,000.

INSURES Lives, and promptly adjusts and

pays losses. Its principal business is with

Southern States, and to them it appeals for

patronage. It has ample means to fully pro-

tect policy holders and pay all losses.

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208 Broad street, Augusta, Ga.

HARDY SOLOMON,

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July 24-3mos

#### Executive Department.

STATE TREASURY OFFICE.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 16, 1869.

UNDER an Act for the Conversion of the

State Securities, the Treasurer of the

State is prepared to issue Bonds bearing 6 per

cent interest, payable semi-annually, for \$100,

\$500 and \$1,000. Fractions may be returned

in Certificates of Stock. Persons desirous of

converting their Stock into Bonds will please

present their Certificates at this office with

name endorsed upon the back, witnessed.

Persons having Coupon Bonds desirous to

procure Registered Stock in lieu thereof will

please present the same to this office, with in-

structions.

Where parties cannot attend in person to

transact their business at this office, it is pre-

ferred that the same should be transacted

through some authorized agent.

NILES G. PARKER,

Treasurer State S. C.

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July 2

Land and City Property for Sale.

1. 4 FIRST CLASS CITY RESIDENCES, 8 to

12 Rooms,

2. 7 2d Class City Residences, 6 to 10 Rooms,

3. 5 3d Class " " " " " "

4. 8 Valuable Building Lots, on Main street,

5. 10 " " " " " " " " " "

6. 10 " " " " " " " " " "

7. 3 Large Lots in Waverly

8. 14 Tracts Land, within 3 miles of Columbia,

from ten acres to 1,000,

9. The Hopkins Tr. O. Plantation, 1,480 acres,

9. 2,422 acres, near Kingville, one of the best

cotton and stock plantations in the country,

10. 9 Other Plantations in Richland—some of

them very desirable.

11. 10,000 acres in Edgefield—several tracts,

12. Mill and Planting Property in Lexington,

13. 13,000 acres in Charleston—phosphate and

other Lands.

14. 2,500 acres Farming Lands in Fairfield,

15. 1,700 acres near Greenville Court House,

16. 6,000 " " " " " " " " " "

17. 2,000 " " " " " " " " " "

18. 1,900 " " " " " " " " " "

19. 216 " " " " " " " " " "

20. 7 Fine Plantations in Abbeville.

21. 85,000 acres of Land in Florida.

Parties desiring to purchase or sell property

find it to their interest to consult us. We

have correspondents in New York, Philadelphia

and Baltimore, to which points we constantly

send descriptive lists of property for sale.

March 6

GIBBS & THOMAS.

#### Local Items.

We publish, to-day, from the *Charlotte Courier*, the description of the pungent interview between Mackey and Clark, the disputants for the office of Collector of Customs. Mackey finds it heart-rending to divest himself of the robe of this rich office, and Clark discovers an insuperable obstacle in the united force of Mackey and Mackey to the possession of the seat of the dethroned monarch. The Doctor declares himself a "South Carolina gentleman," and indignantly scouts the idea of dictation from a "Massachusetts carpet-bagger." The ex-Collector brings matters to a short conclusion—parades his myrmidons, dramatically asks "under which king, Bezoni?" and, assured of their allegiance, calls time on the ex-Mayor, and removes him, *vi et armis*, from the office to which the Doctor is so tenderly attached.

THE PIEDMONT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.—From the advertisement in this morning's paper, it will be seen that this Southern company has favorably taken the field in South Carolina. A branch office has been established in the city, and a local Board of Directors appointed. The main feature, and the controlling consideration, is that all funds accruing within South Carolina, are to be invested in the State, under the direction of the local Board. This regulation must address itself to every man desirous of building up home interest. We can cordially commend this branch of the Piedmont Life Insurance Company to the confidence of the State. The Piedmont is well established, well managed, and its general and local Board of Directors are composed of gentlemen in whom the community can repose confidence. With no disposition to disparage other companies, North or South, we have a good word for such companies as the Piedmont.

The meeting called by his Honor the Mayor, of the tax-payers of this city, for Monday next, is specially commended to the attention of our citizens. No doubt at this assembly will be amply discussed the effect which will be produced upon the financial condition of Columbia; upon her business relations, and commercial status, by the city lending her aid to this agricultural and mechanical enterprise. The ability of the city, her resources and capacity in finance will be accurately weighed, we presume, for giving her hand in aid of this excellent undertaking. We apprehend that the co-operation of Columbia, in the firm establishment of this State Fair, will redound to her benefit to an eminent degree. It is a matter in which every taxpayer is closely interested, and it is important that a full attendance of our citizens be obtained to give the prospect, the situation of Columbia, the consequences attendant, and the matter in its general bearings a careful consideration.

#### SOUTHERN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

We commend to attention the advertisement of this company announcing the opening of an office in this city, with Mr. Hardy Solomon as agent. Of the importance of life insurance, we need say nothing; especially to a people many of whom have been reduced by the calamities of war below even a hope of leaving a competency to their families. To such, life insurance not only presents the means of profitable investment, but involves a sacred duty which no man, with the least prospect of income, can conscientiously neglect. The "Southern Life" opens office under peculiarly favorable auspices. It is a Southern company, composed of Southern stockholders, and numbering amongst the officers of the Atlanta department such names as Gen. John B. Gordon as President, and Gen. Wade Hampton and Col. William Johnston as Directors, certainly most reliable guarantors of the honesty and fidelity of the company. We are one of those who believe that every life insurance company is solvent, the affairs of which are in the keeping of honest men. That the "Southern Life" is sound, our people can be assured by the names we have quoted. Besides this, we are assured that the moneys of this company, like those of the "Piedmont," are invested exclusively in the South—an important item, when we consider what immense sums of money are yearly absorbed from our people by the insurance companies of the North. The company is fortunate in the selection of Mr. Solomon as agent, one of our most enterprising, spirited and successful merchants.

#### NIL DESPERANDUM, HOPE!—Hundreds

of cases of Scrofula, in its worst stages, old cases of Syphilis that have defied the skill of eminent Physicians, Rheumatics who have been sufferers for years, and the victims of the injudicious use of Mercury, have been radically cured by Dr. TUTT'S SARSAPARILLA AND QUEEN'S DELIGHT. It is the most powerful alternative and blood purifier known. It is prescribed by very many Physicians.

#### THE NAPOLEONIC THEORY.—It was the